
DATE: Monday, April 1, 2019
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Urbana City Council Chambers, 400 S. Vine St, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: City Council Members (CM) Eric Jakobsson (Ward 2); Shirese Hursey (Ward 3); Bill Brown (Ward 4); Dennis Roberts (Ward 5); Dean Hazen (Ward 6); Jared Miller (Ward 7); Diane Wolfe Marlin (Mayor); Charles A. Smyth (City Clerk)

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Maryalice Wu (Ward 1)

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Mitten; Jim Simon; Elizabeth Hannon; Bryant Seraphin; Chuck Lauss

OTHERS PRESENT: News-Gazette; Robert Naiman

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum present, Mayor Marlin called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:01 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

City Council Member (CM) Miller made a motion to approve minutes from the March 18, 2019 Regular Meeting, seconded by CM Roberts, and passed by unanimous voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions.

D. PUBLIC INPUT

Robert Naiman invited council to a showing of Nina Paley's movie Seder Masochism to be shown at the Art Theater April 23. He reviewed efforts at blacklisting this movie due to political views held by Ms. Paley. He expressed astonishment that this could happen in our university community, something his grandfather experienced in the McCarthy era. He described his attempts to break this blacklist by renting the Art Theater and showing this movie. However, the Executive Director of the Art Theater is not allowing him to rent due to Mr. Naiman's political views. He compared this to the blacklisting of those who protested during the McCarthy period. He is in the process of appealing this decision to the board of the Art Theater. CM Jakobsson expressed his support for Mr. Naiman's efforts as a member of the Art Theater as well as being a fan of Ms. Paley. CM Roberts indicated that he enjoyed another work of Ms. Paley and asked if she was handling copyright issues as in her past movies to which Mr. Naiman noted that it is similar but there are differences.

CM Hursey arrived at 7:06pm.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Committee Of The Whole** – (Council Member Eric Jakobsson)

2. **Ordinance No. 2019-03-022:** An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Budget Amendment #9 - Omnibus)

For the committee, CM Jakobsson moved approval of Ordinance 2019-03-022, seconded by CM Roberts. With no discussion, the motion passed by roll call vote (7-0): Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Hursey – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye; Marlin -- Aye.

- b. **Ordinance No. No. 2019-03-023:** Suspension of Processing and Granting Applications for Class G-1 liquor licenses

For the committee, CM Jakobsson moved approval of Ordinance 2019-03-023, seconded by CM Miller. With no discussion, the motion passed by roll call (6-0): Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Hursey – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Mayor Marlin made three announcements. Boneyard Creek Community Day is April 13 and volunteers are being sought (www.boneyardcreek.org). This is an important event where we clean up our waterway. Second, the upcoming Christie Clinic Illinois Marathon needs volunteers during this event at the end of the month. This event brings over 20,000 people to our community: volunteer@illinoismarathon.com. Tomorrow, Election Day April 2, is the last day to vote in local elections for Park Board, School Board as well Parkland College.

I. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

J. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the council, Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Charles A. Smyth
City Clerk

This meeting was video recorded with website link (viewable on demand):

<https://www.urbanaininois.us/node/7559>

This meeting was broadcast on cable television (UPTV) and streamed live:

<http://urbanaininois.us/uptv>

Minutes Approved: April 15, 2019